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Memorandum for: The Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Comments of J. Edgar Hoover

The following are excerpts of J. Edgar Hoover's testimony before the Senate Appropriations Committee:

"Sen. McCarran. What is the liaison, if any, between your Bureau and CIA?

"Mr. Hoover. There is close liaison. CIA has exclusive jurisdiction abroad for Intelligence. We have exclusive jurisdiction within the United States. We maintain continuous liaison with CIA headquarters in Washington through a liaison representative of our Bureau in order to facilitate the transmission of material and information from them to us and from our service to them.

(Discussion off the record.) . . .

"Sen. Saltonstall. How are your relations at the present time with the CIA?

"Mr. Hoover. That question was asked a little earlier, but I can briefly state that we maintain close liaison with that agency. There is close cooperation and coordination in the exchange of information between the two services.

"Sen. Saltonstall. The relationship is good?

"Mr. Hoover. Yes. There is very little ground for conflict, because they have foreign jurisdiction, and we have domestic

"Sen. Saltonstall. But you have 3 or 4 offices outside the country?

"Mr. Hoover. I have already referred to that, but those offices have no investigative responsibility. They are merely liaison offices.

"Sen. Saltonstall. In substance, your relations are good?

"Mr. Hoover. Yes, sir; our relations are entirely satisfactory.

(Discussion off the record.)"

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